STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS28506 / S1132

This bill will improve Idaho's road safety, ensure more drivers on Idaho roads are covered by insurance, enhance driver education and training for all Idahoans, and generate additional state revenue for Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) programs. If enacted, the bill makes a Driving Authorization Card available to all persons residing in Idaho. It is also an alternative to the STAR Card, or REAL ID, and would be available to all persons over the age of 16 who can verify their identity and that they live in Idaho. The authorization would be comparable to Class D driving privileges and would have to be renewed annually at a cost of \$25 per year. The Driving Authorization Card would be limited to driving purposes only, it would have a distinguishable appearance, and conspicuous words of limitation to ensure the card is not used for voting, to purchase firearms, or to exercise any other rights or privileges reserved to citizens.

FISCAL NOTE

Study by the Office of Performance Evaluation estimates 11,700 driving authorization cards would be issued in year 1, and 17,600 over the first 30 months. Over the first 30 months, ITD costs of program administration are estimated at \$249,000, which is offset by expected revenue of \$796,000. Local sheriff's would receive \$12.50 from each card processed, and the cost per card for processing by a sheriff is estimated at \$12.18. The Driving Authorization Card program will be net revenue positive. Increased ancillary economic activity is estimated (over the first 30 months) to raise an additional \$696,000 in vehicle registrations, \$87,000 in title fees, as well as increased sales taxes and license plate fees.

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